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1. Between 16 and 29 July 1948, the following eastbound transports passed through Frankfurt/Oder:

No. of Trains	No. of Cars	Description of Transports
3	123	Cellulose *
36	1,369	Unspecified (closed cars)
2	75	German automobiles, new
2	77	Railroad tank cars, guarded
6	157	Military personnel, approx. 4,450 men
4	158	Iron tracks and masts
1	80	Glassware
1	97	Lumber
1	39	Large iron pipes
1	115	Construction materials, cement
1	79	Large wooden boxes of unspecified content
1	40	Small locomotives for mines, new
1	69	Soap products *
1	38	Flatcars for mines, new
1	113	Canned food *
1	39	Freight cars of Russian gauge, new
1	38	Flatcars Russian gauge, new
1	41	Barrecks parts (wood)
1	38	Iron beams and hoists
1	40	Machine parts, crated
2	82	Textiles and leather *
1	36	Paper *

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* Transports marked by an asterisk consisted of closed cars whose contents are given only insofar as they could be reliably determined. The military transports were made up of men going to Russia on furlough. The transports were assembled in Frankfurt/Oder.

On 30 July, the German police made a thorough check of all civilian railroad travelers at the outskirts of Frankfurt/Oder: pockets had to be emptied and briefcases laid open. It was alleged that such checks had been made daily during the preceding week.

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2. During the same period, 59 empty trains returned from Russia and passed through Frankfurt/Oder on their way to Germany. In addition, the following westbound transports were observed:

<u>No. of Trains</u>	<u>No. of Cars</u>	<u>Description of Transports</u>
4	156	Civilian internees, approx. 4,900 persons
1	34	36 artillery guns, (estimated caliber: 75 mm), a few EM in each car
2	71	54 small guns (covered), accompanied by guards, and a few closed cars of unspecified content
7	268	Prisoners of war, approx. 8,500 men
1	42	Approx. 700 prisoners of war; the rest of cars closed
6	163	Military personnel returning from furlough in Russia; approx. 4,650 men
1	31	Artillery troops without guns, officers and EM; approx. 900 men
1	40	Large iron bars
1	34	30 armored reconnaissance cars (destination could not be ascertained)
3	110	73 medium tanks (covered), accompanied by guards, and a number of closed cars of unspecified content

3. Between 15 and 25 July, the following transports passed through Kustrin-Kietz bound for Insterburg:

<u>No. of Trains</u>	<u>No. of Cars</u>	<u>Description of Transports</u>
5	275	Cement
6	322	Scrap iron
2	104	Potash
3	164	Timber for mines
1	53	Lumber
1	53	53 medium tanks (covered), each car carrying an average of two guards. As far as could be seen, the tanks were either new or had been overhauled.

4. During the same period, 30 empty trains passed through Kustrin-Kietz on their way to Germany.

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